(c) if so, whether Government have taken any action against them so far; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Relaxation on qualifying for Section Officers Exams

5058. SHRI GANDHI AZAD: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the office of Comptroller and Auditor General of India was giving relaxation including marks by lowering qualification for Section Officer Grade Examination to SC/ST;

(b) if so, date from which it was withdrawn and again the date from which it was restored;

(c) what action was requested to be taken as per para 4 sub-para (i) to (v) and para 5 of DOPT Order No. 20011/1/2001-estt.(D) dated the 21st January, 2002;

(d) the details of action taken as per (c) above; and

(e) by when action as para (c) above will be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) and (b) The relaxation, by lowering qualifying marks to SC/ST candidates, was withdrawn by Comptroller and Auditor General in the Section Officer Grade Examination held in December 1996 and restored from the Section Officer Grade Examination held in November 2000 in compliance with the DOP and T OM No. 36012/23/96-estt(Res)-Vol. II dated 3.10.2000.

(c) to (e) As per para 4 sub-para (i) to (v) and para 5 DPOT order No. 20011/1/2001-Estt.(D) datd 21.01.2002.

(i) SC/ST Government servants, on their promotion by virtue of rule of reservation/roster are to be allowed consequential seniority with retrospective effect from 17.6.1995.

(ii) Treating the Government's instructions contained in DOPT's OM No. 20011 / 1 / 96 Estt(D) dated 30.01.97 as withdrawn *ab initio* and seniority of Government servants determined earlier in the light of aforesaid OM is to be revised.

(iii) On the basis of the revised seniority, consequential benefits like promotion (after following normal procedure of DPC with effect from the date of promotion of their immediate junior General/OBC Government servants), pay, pension etc. are to be allowed to the concerned SC/ ST Government servants without arrears.

(iv) Except seniority, other consequential benefits like promotion, pay etc. (including retrial benefits in respects of those who have already retired) allowed to general/OBC Government servant by virtue of implementation OM dated 30.01.97 and/or in pursuance of the direction of CAT/Court are to be protected as personal to them.

(v) The entire exercise is to be completed within six months from the date of issue of the aforesaid OM *i.e.* by 21.7.2002.

The above instructions are reported to have been circulated by office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India to all the field offices/cadre controlling authorities for necessary action.

FDI from Mauritius

5059. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that a large portion of the FDI in india is coming from Mauritius;

(b) if so, the total FDI (actuals) during the last three years and the FDI from Mauritius as percentage of the total during the corresponding period, year-wise;

(c) Government's explanation for such heavy concentration of Mauritius as FDI source;

(d) whether Government are certain that this so called FDI is not Indian Money reaching Mauritius through hawala route and thereafter returning to the country; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.